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Everyone was startled with little Shin's words. The old men even began to imagine a scene where the little boy caught the two sleeping together in bed, naked, causing them to panic. With wide eyes, old man Chen suddenly knelt on the floor as he grabbed little Shin's shoulders.

"My dearest grandchild, y-you didn't see anything improper, right?" he asked and the little boy blinked at him. He slightly tilted his head as though he was trying to deduce what the old man was talking about.

"Improper?"

"Yes... what grandpa mean are... their clothes... well..."

"They're wearing pyjamas, why?"

As soon as they heard the little boy's answer, the two old men heaved a deep sigh of relief. It was Sei alone who remained looking unmoving on his seat as he watched them.

"Was there something improper with their clothes?" the boy then curiously asked when Sei finally spoke.

"Little Shin, come here." He said and the boy immediately walked towards his father. Sei then carried him up and they both left the two old men in the lounge.

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Meanwhile, Hinari and Zaki just stood there quietly. The room was unbelievably silent as Hinari stared at Zaki intensely. This was because right after little Shin left, Davi came and told Hinari that her grandfather also arrived and just by hearing that the two old men were here, Hinari could tell that this might be because of their engagement.

"Did you call them to come?" she finally asked after a long time of silence.

"Yes." Zaki replied and Hinari bit her lip hard.

"For what?" she asked again even though she somehow already knew the answer.

Hearing her, Zaki who'd been gazing out the window finally looked at her. His eyes suddenly turned emotionless as though his feelings abruptly disappeared from existence.

"Hinari, this needs to stop right now. I want you to leave me alone. I don't ever want to see you again," he said with his ever so willful voice. He looked so determined to push her away but Hinari just stared at him. There was no despair in her eyes as if his words didn't affect her at all.

Seeing that she was not budging at all, Zaki's jaws tightened and he moved closer to her. His words and his gaze became as harsh as ever as he tried his best to persuade her to leave.

"Hinari, you need to know that this is over. I have never and nor will I ever... love you."

As soon as he said those words, Zaki felt his heart throb in pain again. He didn't know that telling her that he didn't love her would be so painful he could die. He felt his heart slowly dying and the only thing

that was keeping it alive was the fact that she was still here. Zaki just felt that once she left, his heart will also take its last breath.

As he said those words, on the inside he was yelling in despair, 'I will become nothing without you...' but he had to let her go, so he pushed his emotions aside as hard as he could.

Those words were his last resort. He knew that it would hurt her so much so it was the last thing he could do to make her give up.

However, the girl didn't even react. Her expression remained the same, gazing at him like she was afraid to even blink because he might disappear once she does.

Zaki was speechless. He didn't expect her not to even react. The determined look in her eyes didn't even waver that Zaki was starting to doubt if she heard him or not.

"Hinari, I meant what I said. I really don't---" as Zaki was trying to persist and repeat those words again, Hinari finally opened her mouth and she cut through him.

"Liar."